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Sir:

In response to the office action mailed June 20, 2002, please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-11, 19, and 20.

Please add the following new claims 25 *et seq.*

25 (New). A method comprising:

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providing an apparatus for use in communicating from a first communication device to a second communication device coupled to a communication network, the apparatus including a memory having recorded therein, a substantially unique identifying value for use in authenticating usage of the apparatus and a preprogrammed custom ID message for delivery to the second communication device upon authenticated usage of the apparatus; and

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